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Populist Gains.

Washington, Nov. 9.—Secretary Edgerton of the populist national committee feels satisfied over the advances made by his party during the past campaign although disappointed in the general result.

"We have elected," he said today, congressmen from California Idaho, Colorado, Kansas, five from North Carolina and two from south Dakota—twenty-one populist congressmen. We secured populist senators in Kansas, South Dakota, Idaho and possibly in North Carolina. We elected governors and the state ticket in in Nebraska, Kansas, governor of South Dakota, governors and major portion of state tickets in Idaho, Montana, Washington and North Carolina.

"Mr. Watson will have four electors for vice-president in Louisiana, three in Wisconsin, five from North Carolina, two from Kentucky, four from Nebraska, two from Washington, one from Wyoming, one from Montana, and four from Missouri. There may be Watson electors from Colorado and Idaho, and possibly two from South Dakota."

"All's Well That Ends Well."

Sherman, Tex., Nov. 13.—Twenty-two years ago Edward M. Gibbs, a well to do young farmer of Randolph county, North Carolina, and Miss Lucille West, daughter of a neighboring planter who had been sweethearts from childhood, had a little quarrel, as lovers so often have, and always will, but unlike the usual way of making up they drifted farther apart. In time the young man married and later on the young lady plighted her troth to Chas. Baker, a worthy young man who, for the ten years he lived, made her life a happy one. Nineteen years ago young Gibbs and his wife left the old North state and came west. A few years later Mrs. Gibbs died. Three months since a friend in writing Gibbs added a paragraph: "I met an old sweetheart of yours, Mrs. Baker, you remember Lucille West, and she wanted to know if you were still alive."

Gibbs felt himself not only alive but felt that the old love still lived and he wrote the answer himself. A correspondence ensued and by agreement he came from his home in the Indian Territory and she from North Carolina. They met at a quiet little boarding-house on Avenue K this morning for the first time in nearly a score of years and within an hour Justice Hinkle had spoken the words that fate had delayed so long. They left for the groom's pleasantly prepared home this afternoon.

Teachers Institute.—Course of Study

Pedagogics: The November number of Educational Foundations, 9:45 to 10:30; J. R. Hendrix, Edwin Booth and W. L. Roper.

Descriptive Geography: General Definition and map of North America, 10:30 to 11:15; C. C. Cross, Miss Dora Nichols and J. K. Palmer.

Algebra: Definitions, Addition, subtraction and multiplication, 11:15 to 12:00; Tom Hogge, Marcus Wylie and Eva Houghston.

Afternoon.—Arithmetic: Notation and Numeration, and Fundamental Rules, 1 to 1:45; S. J. Cresswell, D. D. Kemper and G. W. Scoggins.

Physics: Motion and Force, 1:45 to 2:30; I. A. Armstrong, G. P. Gadberry and T. D. Simpson.

Physiology: The Skin, Respiration and voice, 2:30 to 3:15; H. G. Reed, F. G. Jones and J. H. Watkins.

Language: Maxwell's First Book from page 61 to 116, 3:15 to 4; C. F. Trotter, G. A. Tallant and W. H. Hicks.

All teachers are requested to meet with us on Dec. 5, '96. Trustees are also invited to attend all Institute meetings. Remember, Dec. 5, '96 is the time appointed for this meeting

Respectfully,
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G. P. Brown,
C. O. Smith,
C. C. Cross,
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IT'S A STAYING FORCE.

Rutabaga Johnson Reviews the Presidential Campaign from a Populist Standpoint.

McKinney, Collin Co., Tex., Nov. 8.—To the populist party of Texas: Your course in the national convention was right but you were sold out by the leaders of our party and the leaders of the democratic party by a false promise that they would take Sewall down and support Watson if we would indorse Bryan. They treated us just the same way that they have treated their own people for the last twenty-three years on the silver question.

These same democratic partisans made our people believe that if they voted for Bryan and Watson their vote would not be counted, but that it would count for McKinley and elect him, which had a tendency to divide our people on that question. Then they were told by the democratic leaders that populists had sold out to McKinley and the election of McKinley meant war, as the people would never stand the destruction of silver and that the majority of democrats were always for free silver.

The democrats knew that the majority of their party was never for silver and will never be. They know that in 1873 when silver was demonetized there was not a single democrat that said no. When Harrison was defeated by Cleveland he had his republican senate to pass the free silver bill. It will be remembered that the senate was republican by a majority of three, I think, and any fair-minded man knows that where either party has a majority whether great or small, it is responsible for the acts of that congress.

The democratic party was never for free silver, as was proven by the lower house. It had 148 majority and would not pass the free silver bill when it was presented to them by a republican senate; but by a vote of 115 to 101 they (the democrats) voted against said bill, there being 216 democrats in the house at that time. There were only seven populists in the house and they all voted for free silver at the ratio of 16 to 1. Had the democrats been for it, as they now claim, and had stood by silver as did the populists, they certainly could have passed the bill with 148 majority. If not, in God's name how big a majority do they want or need to pass a bill?

These free silver democrats met in convention at Dallas and adopted a gold platform and indorsed the administration of Grover Cleveland as eminetly wise, patriotic and statesman-like by a unanimous vote; but two years later we find these same people denouncing Cleveland, all for the sake of reaching the pie counter and nothing else. We might say these free silver democrats are double-headers, as they got office two years ago by indorsing Cleveland, and they now get office in Texas by condemning the same Cleveland, but got wiped off the face of the earth nationally. They justly deserved it.

After condemning Cleveland for sending troops to Chicago to quiet a mob, which they indorsed in the United States senate, these same people at the Dallas convention cheered Dick Wynn to the echo when he so highly praised Cleveland for the same act.

We should ever remember the people of Illinois for defeating Altgeld for governor of that state by the largest majority ever given in an election for the governor's office.

Some of our people think the populists who did not vote with us are traitors, but I do not think so, for this reason: Our people all came from the democratic and republican parties, and when these false reports got out we were told that we had fused with the republicans. A portion of those who came from the democratic party of course went back to their old party, and to be sure our members who came from the republican party had nowhere else to go. We had no way to prove it false until after the election, but the vote for Bryan proves every word of fusion to be false and no one is hurt worse than our boys who were deceived by these falsehoods. Some ask, why did they believe it?

Another thing. The silver democrats by half did not know or understand that Bryan ran on the principle of all paper money being redeemed in both gold and silver. That redeemable clause in the free silver democratic platform will damn any party, and before the next four years roll around they will all understand that redeemable money means bonds, bonds mean interest, and interest mean serfism. The free silver democrats claim that congress can't make money, but they do say that congress can make a 52-cent dollar. Now if they can add 48 cents why not add 99 cents to a piece of paper and make it a legal tender for all dues, imports and everything else?

That paper would be good in Europe or any other country, for Europe is buying our cotton and our produce every day. We would rather have the paper than gold or silver. The free silver democrats in congress say they cannot do that. I will tell you what they did in congress in 1844. I bought my 160 acres of land from the government with Mexican dollars at 100 cents on the dollar. French money, called 5 francs, went at 95 cents; English money, called a sovereign went at $4.85; a European gold piece called a 5 gilder, went at $2 and a 10 guilder went at $4. This should prove to the world that congress has regulated the currency, and can do it again.

I have contended all the time that the Chicago convention made a mistake in condemning our president for stopping that riot in Chicago when the Illinois anarchist governor would not stop it. This election demonstrates to any reasonable thinking man that Tillmanism, Altgeldism and Bryanism is forever buried in the United States and that the masses must either come to populism or gold-bugism. The question is which will you take.

The free silver democrats say that Jefferson and Jackson were for gold and silver and for redeeming all paper money with gold and silver. I admit that is true and they were right at that time. It will be remembered that we had only 12,000,000 or 15,000,000 of people, a new country and gold and silver mines opening up every day. Now we have an old country, no new mines opening and have 72,000,000 of people. Does any reasonable man believe that 72,000,000 of people can live on the same amount of money as 15,000,000?

Mark the language—this redeemable money must go and the populists are sure of the next president on that issue. So come home, boys. There is no other party that can save you.

Rutabaga Johnson.

The gold democratic state committee of Illinois have issued an address stating they will maintain the fight for supremacy in the party.

Butler on Bryan.

New York, Nov. 14.—A special to the World from Raleigh, N. C. says: Senator Butler's paper says editorially:

"Speaking now for the peoples party of North Carolina and we believe for the nation, we take the liberty of serving notice on Mr. Bryan that if he desires to head the reform forces of the peoples party in the next fight he must do so under some other name than that of democracy. The name has become a reproach and a stench among the people and it will not be supported any more, now or hereafter. In the campaign just closed the peoples party joined forces with the democrats and the democrats again played the people false, grossly and brutally false.

"We are done with them now and forever and also with any man who seeks to lead the people hereafter under any standard that may bear the name or have the smirch of the word democrat."

A VISIT to the SICK ROOM

TOUCHING THE SPOT with Johnson's Belladonna Plaster

General News.

Bryan's plurality in Kansas is 11,974.

Hall county will vote on local option Dec. 12.

The city marshal of Cripple Creek, Col., has been removed from office for malfeasance,

Dr. H. J. Nott, aged 78, was found dead in his office at Beeville, Tex., on the 13th inst.

A 5-year-old child was burned to death in San Antonio on the 13th inst.

The National Grange was in session at Washington, D. C. last week.

Pennsylvania's plurality for McKinley is 304,944.

Spain has called on her citizens for $50,000,000 to carry on the Cuban war,

Charley Allen, a McKenzie, Tenn., negro, was lynched on the 14th for rape.

Two men were instantly killed in a dynamite explosion at Niagara Falls last week.

Jame Copeland was found dead in bed at Marshall, Texas, last week.

Algonquin Tribe No. 35 Improved Order of Red Men has been organized at Corsicana.

At Elba, N. Y., two burglars were discovered burglarizing a store and one of them was killed and the other mortally wounded.

George Winters was sentenced to 25 years in the penitentiary at Hillsboro, Tex., last week for murder.

Charles Thiele, son of a prominent Houston citizen, committed suicide last week. He was charged with theft.

F. W. Queensbarry was killed and six others seriously injured in the wreck of a gravel train on the I. & G. N. near Rockdale, Tex., last week.

National Chairman J. K. Jones, W. J. Bryan and Gov. Stone are duck hunting on the St. Francis river.

Henry and Mary Weyler, two children, were cremated in a burning house at Buffalo, N. Y. on the 14th

A merchant named Metzner was assassinated by seven masked negroes who robbed his store at Henderson, Ky., last week.

A locomotive struck a wagon near Buffalo, N. Y., on the 14th and killed its two occupants—a farmer and his daughter.

A Florence Crittenden house for fallen women is practically an assured fact for Houston.

At Columbus, Ga., on the 12th George Venable was shot and killed in a saloon by a bartender named Mill.

The general assembly of the Knights of Labor was in session at Rochester, N. Y., last week. General Master Workman J. R. Sovereign was reelected.

At Guthrie, Okla., on the 13th inst William Biggs, a farmer of 50, was thrown from a load of cotton and received fatal injuries.

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard of Newton county, Tex., are the parents of a 15 ounce girl baby. It is perfectly developed and doing finely.

Burt is on trial in Austin for the murder of his wife and two children last July. He is defended by Walton & Walton.

At Hatton Gap, I. T., an Indian named Porter shot and killed two gamblers, Swede Johnson and Bob Smith, last week. The gamblers had fleeced the Indian.

Miss Ann Howard, of New Orleans, the betrothed of Mayor Carter Harrison of Chicago when the latter was assassinated, was married to Walter Parrot in London last week.

Denison had two failures Friday. The Leeper Hardware Co, and the Thomas Boidwick Boot and Shoe house both went to the wall. The former was one of the oldest wholesale and retail establishments in north Texas.

A cow near Kaufman gave birth to a calf with three eyes. The third eye was in the centre of the forehead and its under jaw was about 4 inches longer than the upper. The freak was killed and thrown into the brush.

J. B. Sperrier shot and fatally wounded Miss Nina Cornell and slightly wounded her escort, J. L. Wilson, at Glenwood Springs, Col., on the 15th. He then sent a bullet through his own heart. Jealousy was the motive.

Dr. W. H. Stickler, a prominent physician and politician, committed suicide at Hudson, N. Y. on the 15th.

A terrible double tragedy was enacted at Lyman, N. H., on the 14th. A well-to-do farmer named H. R. Ash killed himself after murdering his wife. No cause can be assigned for the deed as their married relations were apparently the happiest.

Last Friday Mrs. Mary Cox shot and instantly killed her husband at Silex, Mo. For some time Mrs. Cox has been deranged and had strange hallucinations, but her husband, who was a prosperous young farmer, paid no attention to her threats.

E. S. Peters, the well known editor of the Calvert Citizen-Democrat, has retired and is succeeded in the management of the paper by W. D. Ward.

A race war raged last week between the negro and white laborers of a big saw mill near Eldorado, Ark. One negro woman was killed and several were injured.

Barlow (Pop.) wins in the 6th California district by a majority of 557. This was one of the doubtful districts and it took the official count to arrive at the true result.

M. R. Reese, a prominent Yorkville, S. C., citizen, was fatally shot by a deputy on the 12th inst. while trying to escape. Reese was charged with murder.

County Officers in Erath.

Stephensville, Tex., Nov. 11.—The following are the county officers of Erath county elected at November election. Those marked P. are populists and G. D. sound money democrats: County judge, Thos. B. King, P.; district clerk, J. S. Watson, P.; county attorney, J. W. Jarrott, P.; county clerk, T. G. Goren, G. D.; collector, Willard Chamberlain, P.; tax assessor, B. F. Allison, P.; surveyer, McK. Johnstone, G. D.; treasurer, G. C. Tolliver, G. D.

Farmersville Items.

A Cumberland Presbyterian parsonage is in course of construction in this city.

Jasper Woodall has moved to Blue Ridge and gone into the drug business. We wish him success.

Oscar Wylie had his foot broken one day last week. A wagon ran over it crushing one of the bones. We learn he is getting along very well at present.

John Henry Stanford, for many years a resident of this neighborhood, will in a few days move with his family to the Indian Nation. We wish him every success in his new home.

Tillman Groves, a half brother of James Bybee and West Milligan of this place, had his leg amputated last Friday. We understand that he has suffered very much, and is not doing very well at this writing.

Sam Yeary and Jim Bybee are both applicants for the position of deputy sheriff for precinct No. 2. Either one of them would make a good officer and this part of the county will be pretty sure to have at least one deputy sheriff.

Jim Burns and Chas. Morrow while at work on the house of Harvey Elliston on Monday last were painfully hurt, but we hope not seriously, by the scaffolding falling. The wind being high and the scaffold weak was the cause. Build stronger, boys, next time and take no risks.—Farmersville Sentinel.

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TO COLLIN POPULISTS!

A Brief Address by Chairman Forbes —Mission of the Peoples Party.

McKinney, Tex., Nov. 19, '96.

Friends and Brethren:—We have just passed through one of most remarkable campaigns in the history of the country. The populists of the south were at a serious disadvantage from the date of the national convention at St. Louis. Previous to that time all was energy and enthusiasm. The action of the convention put a stop to organization and threw our lines into disorder. We could only hope to hold what we had. The enemy exerted themselves to the utmost to further demoralize us by cries of "fusion" and "sell outs." In this they succeeded even beyond their expectations. Hundreds of populists in Collin county and thousands in Texas turned upon their friends and assisted a treacherous foe to slaughter them. But we must look with charity upon our erring brothers. The conditions were such as to carry the most stolid citizens off their feet. Let us again get together and present a solid front to the enemy in '98. Let us not again suffer ourselves to be stampeded. Let us be sure that our shots are directed at our enemies instead of our friends. In the words of Sparticus of old, "If we must fight let us fight for ourselves; if we must slaughter let us slaughter our oppressors" and not our friends.

Remember we have polled 75,000 more than ever before in Texas and 1000 more than ever before in Collin county.

The populists have carried eleven states for Bryan giving him 51 electoral votes against 5 for Weaver in '92 with 22 votes. We have elected four governors; have increased our representation in congress from 7 to 20 and will gain from 3 to 6 United States senators. Taking everything into consideration this is a splendid showing and populists should not be discouraged. Fall in line patriots and let the fight for truth and liberty go on. Be inspired by the revolutionary heroes at Valley Forge. Let temporary defeat inspire you to redouble your efforts for reform. Right must win at last and "Truth crushed to earth will rise again."

I believe more firmly than ever if this country is saved from the rule of plutocracy it must be by the peoples party.

Hoping you will each of you continue the fight, I remain,

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County Treasurer Burris of Burlington, Ia., has just died of injuries received in a grand stand reviewing accident during the late canvass. Vice President Stevenson was on the stand with Burris when the accident occured.

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STEVE Clay will succeed Gen. John B. Gordon in the United States senate from Georgia.

GLARING election frauds were committed as usual in Tennessee on the 3d. As a result numerous contests from governor down will be instituted at once.

A CABINET boom of large dimensions has ben launched for Dr. John Grant by his friends all over the state. They allege that the honor is due Texas, as Texas has never had a presidential or vice presidential candidate, nor even a cabinet portfolio in her whole history as a state.

GEN. E. W. Pettus has been elected United States senator to succeed Senator Pugh by the Alabama legislature. Gen. Pettus is one of the most eminent lawyers of the South. He is 74 years old; though a leader of his party, has steadfastly refused all offices before. It is said that he has written every democratic platform of his state since the war.

THE Rustler is in receipt of a complimentary notice from J. W. Blake, chairman of the democratic state executive committee in which he thanks us for the good work we have done in the interest of democracy this fall.—Wylie Rustler.

Wonder if Stump Ashby received a like notice. The "cat apples" were forwarded promptly on time.

Take a Day Off.

"Across the heath with sweep and swirl
The drifting leaves come in a whirl
A mass of green and brown and gold
The dying leaves blow 'cross the wold."

Autumn is here in all its grandeur. Thoug nature's season of death, when "leaves change their green to a glory of color as they drift to their graves," it is nevertheless a period of grandeur and beauty which any one may enjoy by strolling across the harvested fields and meadows, or viewing the landscape. The gorgeous array of dress displayed by the trees and shrubs, the gray-dullness settling over earth's verdant carpeting everywhere, the crisp, the cooperating autumnal breezes are friendly blessings intended for you to view and enjoy. Don't let petty cares or business perplexities deprive you of these benedictions so copiously lavished upon you. Merchants, clerks and all following sedentary and indoors vocations take a day off, if no more, and hie away to recoup your wasted energies amid the wooded dells and fields where the "silence of nature is eloquent; and, held close to her great heart we do not long for human companionship and where earth recedes while heaven draws near."

County Treasurer's Report.

Denton, Denton Co., Tex., Nov. 14.—County Treasurer Bailey has made his report to the commissioners' court of the balances of the different funds now on hand. It is as follows:

Balance in jury fund, $1443.03; in road and bridge fund, $197.92; in general county fund, $1120.65; jail sinking fund, $980.57; courthouse sinking fund, $3067.88; courthouse fund, $10,598.86.

The report was approved by the court.

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Loyal to His Party.

Frank Wilcox is one of the democratic representatives elect. His brother, George Wilcox, was walking a McKinney thoroughfare a few days since when a rural voter accosted him thusly:

"Well, Mr. Wilcox, I got your letter and was proud to learn of your candidacy. I tell you; I just rolled up my sleeves and worked hard for you and succeeded in giving you a big majority at our box. Now that you are elected, I want you and Senator Gough to hustle reform measures through the legislature."

George took in the situation at a glance and answered; "Yes, we will attend to that. The first thing that Mr. Gough and I have agreed on is for Mr. Gough to introduce a bill in the senate curtailing the homestead law holding to 40 acres and a mule. After its passage in the senate I will see that it passes the lower house and is signed by the governor."

This remarkable statement rather nonplussed the enthusiastic suffragan who exclaimed, "What! Are you going to monkey with our sacred homestead law?" "Certainly," answered Mr. Wilcox, "it is in our platform." "All right," said the voter, "if that is a platform promise, and you stood squarely on it, I am willing. I can stand it, for I am a rock-ribbed democrat and don't you forget it."

Princeton.

Last Sunday the editor and wife had the good fortune to visit the quiet but thriving little village of Princeton, on the "East Line" road, 8 miles east of McKinney. While there they were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Smith. THE DEMOCRAT scribe while walking through the village met up with several friends. He visited the site of the new Methodist church which is soon to be erected. The place has a rude appearance owing to brush and the rough surface, but such obstacles will fast disappear before long, yielding to the efforts of an industrious and patriotic citizenship. Messrs. Alma Wilson and W. A. [illegible] pioneer merchants of Prince[illegible] have company in the person of W. H. Betts, lumber dealer, who has only been in business there about two months. His general manner and honest business methods has won for him a large circle of friends and patrons. Mr. Frank Smith will, at an early day, place a nice stock of drugs for the Princeton trade. Dr. Boorman, as usual, is busy looking after his many patients. Mr. James Meeks, a former citizen of McKinney but late of Sherman, is doing a large blacksmith trade. Miss Ida Ball of McKinney will assist Prof. Scoggins in teaching the school at Princeton. The Barnett gin is one of the best finished of its kind in the county. The very best and latest improvements can be found at this worthy adjunct to the village.

Princeton is small but its future is bright with possibilites. The earth surrounding it is the richest consequently its productive power is almost unlimited. The remaining woods will soon be fields of grain, cotton, fruits, vegetables and flowers.

Fairfield.

Mr. and Mrs. I. D. Fowler are entertaining the latter's sister, Miss Glass, of Farmersville.

Mrs. Dr. Throckmorton has recovered from a few days illness.

Mr. and Mrs. Forsythe, who recently moved into their pretty home, are the proud parents of a baby girl.

Elder McKinney is having a neat cottage erected near the school house.

Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Thompson were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Smith at Princeton Sunday.

R. V. Daughetee, assisted by J. H. Parker is building a barn for the editor of THE DEMOCRAT.

Miss Midge Ferguson attended the marriage of Miss Tennie Wilson at Allen.

BROWN EYES.

Honor Roll.

We are thankful to the following named gentlemen for subscriptions received recently:

Dr. W. S. Webster, R. S. Davis,
J. L. Simmons, J. F. Langham,
J. J. Munday, J. H. Watson,
J. P. A. Wallace, R. Woody,
J. F. Cashion, B. C. Reynolds,
A. M. Bushart, E. King,
W. Mankin, John Martin,
W. J. M. Cudd.

Card of Thanks.

I want to thank my many friends for their support at the polls Nov. 3. Though defeated I received a much larger vote than ever given a candidate of my party for justice of the peace in precinct No. 1. Again expressing my appreciation of same I remain your obedient servant.

J. R. PADGITT.

District Clerk.

Criminal proceedings of the October term, District Court of Collin county:

State vs B. H. Williams, passing forged instrument, case continued by state.

State vs B. H. Williams, forgery, continued by state.

State vs Geo. Starks, breaking jail to release prisoner, guilty, 2 years in penitentiary.

State vs Alex Mixon, arson, dismissed.

State vs Geo. Hendrix, assault to rape; continued on application of defendent.

State vs Tom and Wash Woolbright, murder, dismissed.

State vs J. T. Brockman, forgery, continued.

State vs Thomas Props, theft from the person, dismissed.

State vs W. A. Turner, embezzlement, continued by state.

State vs Lewis Luttrell, murder, dismissed.

State vs Joe English, murder, dismissed.

State vs John Livingston, theft of cattle, cause continued by state.

State vs John Livingston, theft of cattle, continued by state.

State vs J. M. Collins, forgery and passing forged instrument, continued by state.

State vs G. W. Henson, embezzlement, continued by defendent.

State vs Julia Mason, theft from person; it appearing defendant had not been arrested case ordered retired from docket.

State vs G. W. Henson, embezzlement, continued by defendent.

State vs H. H. Belew, assault to murder, continued by defendent.

State vs. John Powell, unlawfully cutting fence, continued by state.

State vs John Young, assault to rape, not guilty.

State vs John Blaine, assault to murder, trial by jury, guilty of aggravated assault and fined $25.

State vs A. W. Eberhart, embezzlement, continued by state.

State vs Forrest Wilson, burglary, guilty, 2 years in penitentiary.

State vs Bill Ellis, assault to murder, trial by jury, guilty of aggravated assault and battery and fined $100.

State vs Floyd Franklin, assault to murder; reset for trial Wed. Nov. 18, 1896.

State vs J. W. McPhail embezzlement; reset for trial Wednesday, Nov. 25, 1896.

State vs John Mitchell, burglary, guilty, 3 years in penitentiary.

State vs Louis Kaufman and Dan Dellas, arson and accomplice to arson, trial by jury, not guilty.

LIST OF GRANDJURYMEN.

Olney Davis, foreman; N. A. Bomar, Eden Coleman, J. P. Seigler, J. M. Nichols, P. M. Mugg, J. H. Copeland, M. R. Clark, Wm. Duncan, Sam Tarrant, J. M. Beasley, G. R. Hart.

Jury list for week beginning Nov. 16: T. A. Parris, S. A. D. Box, Noah Cox, J. B. Marshall, M. T. Haley, E. W. Stanford, R. L. Gaither, J. S. Aldredge, J. W. Cox, T. G. Montgomery, J. W. Witt, J. E. Robertson, A. P. Miles, R. W. Floyd, J. M. Griffin, T. C. Griffin, W. T. Collins, C. E. Devou, J. C. Kearby, W. W. Wetsel, F. M. Griffin, J. W. Bradley, J. E. Mounger, T. C. Coleman, J. A. Franklin, L. W. Bush.

Finance committee: H. C. Herndon, T. S. Letson and Jerry W. Warden.

Bailiffs: T. M. Beverly, Newt Williamson, J. C. Slaughter, Newt Wardlow, Ed Gerrin, J. W. Culwell.

Door bailiff: Harry McDonald.

Crook—Wilson.

Dr. W. J. Crook and Miss Tennie, daughter of Joseph S. Wilson, were married at the residence of the bride's father, in Allen, at 7:30 p. m. Wednesday, Nov. 18. The groom is a son of of Dr. Crook of Paris and is a leading young physician of Cooper, Delta county, Texas. The bride is highly connected in this county, educated and gifted with all the accomplishments and graces that adorn true young womanhood. She is a sister of our fellow townsmen J. H. and Buck Wilson, and to Mesdames T. Z. Dies and B. F. Ferguson, and has numerous friends in McKinney where she frequently visited. The happy young couple immediately left after the ceremony for their future home in Cooper, carrying with them the best wishes of all the bride's many friends in this county. Several from McKinney attended the nuptials.

CASTORIA.

The fac-simile signature of Chas. H. Fletcher is on every wrapper.

Religious.

The entire membership of the Baptist church is earnestly requested to be present Next Sunday morning. Important!

Rev. George C. Rankins of Houston has been transferred to the North Texas conference and appointed to the pastorate of the First Methodist church in Dallas. He is a scholar and noted pulpit orator.

Eld. S. K. Hallam of Greenville, whom it was thought the Christian congregation of this city had secured as its pastor, cannot accept for the reason that his Greenville flock will not give him up.

The Senior and Junior Epworth Leaguers held union services at the Methodist church Sunday afternoon. The effort of each participant was good and highly appreciated by the splendid audience.

This is "Self Denial week" of the Salvation army throughout the United States and Canada. During this period the soldiers hope by frugality and hard work to raise the sum of $40,000. This will be used for the benefit of the rescue homes, soup kitchens and other charitable institutions, which they are now supporting for the benefit of the poor and friendless of the land.

The North Texas conference in session at Paris concluded its labors Monday morning and adjourned to meet in Dallas next November. The veteran Bishop Keener presided. W. M. P. Rippey, presiding elder of this (Greenville) district, was transferred to the Sulphur Springs district and Rev. I. S. Ashburne appointed in his stead. All will be delighted to learn of Rev. D. J. Martin's return to this city. THE DEMOCRAT will publish next week the disposition of the preachers to the various charges of the conference as appointed by the bishop and his cabinet.

At the conference in Paris this week Rev. Joel S. Graves was ordained a minister in the Methodist Church, South. He stood at the head of the class with a grade of 99 and was returned to the Anna mission to the delight of all members of this work with whom he has labored so dilligently and efficiently in his Master's vineyard during the year just closed.

Incidentally, we Through his mail also learn that the conference donated $75 towards building the Princeton church. THE DEMOCRAT trusts that providence may continue to smile upon the efforts of this faithful preacher during the coming year.

UNION THANKSGIVING SERVICE.

The usual Thanksgiving services will be held on Thursday, Nov. 26, at the Methodist church at 10:30 a. m. Rev. D. J. Martin will conduct the services; Rev. J. H. Davis will preach the sermon; Rev. S. W. Crutcher will read the scripture, and Rev. J. H. Wofford will offer the concluding prayer. It is usual at this service to take up a collection and it is hoped, that as we as a community have been greatly blessed during a season of general suffering, that this collection will show our thankfulness for past mercies. Let each give "as God has prospered him," "not grudgingly or of necessity; for God loveth a cheerful giver." From a congregation of some 300 souls not less than $150 should be raised. Remember that this collection is given to the poor, and "Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto me." Matt. xxvi:40.

From Bowlby.

Nov. 17, 1896.

J. C. Williams is buying up cattle to fatten.

Coker Rutherford broke his leg one day last week at school.

Mrs. John Turner is on the sick list; also Mrs. Clint Huffman's babe.

John Elmore is all smiles now; its a girl.

Blix Hand and family of Wesley Chapel were in our community Sunday and Monday.

J. A. Crutcher and wife spent Saturday and Sunday with friends in the flats.

Aunt Betsy Bryant and Cordy Wearver visited Lige Baxter on Honey Creek recently.

W. W. Watson and family have been mingling with old friends and relatives in Trinity community of late.

Miss Leona Bryant was the guest of Mrs. J. B. Hickey last week.

Sam Fox is having his timber land cleared for cultivation.

Will Fowler is building a nice dwelling.

CENTRAL.

$500 REWARD!

We Offer $500 Reward to anyone who can produce a better FLOUR than our famous PEERLESS.

This Flour is sold by all merchants and is POSITIVELY GUARANTEED to be equal to anything sold in the City of McKinney.

We think It is Better, Because our Friends And customers Say So.

Peerless Flour.

We want Your Trade On Flour. This means YOU.

Patronize Home Manufacturers.

If Our Flour is not as represented Send It Back, and your money Will be Refunded.

All Flour Sold by us is made from wheat grown by the farmers of Collin County.

The way to build up HOME MANUFACTURIES is to patronize them.

Collin County Mill & Elevator Company.

Hall's Great Discovery.

Hall's Great Discovery cures all kidney and bladder troubles, removes gravel, cures diabetes, seminal emissions, weak and lame backs, and all irregularities of the kidneys and bladder, in both men women. Regulates bladder trouble in children. If not sold by your druggist will be sent by mail on receipt of $1. One small bottle is two months' treatment and will cure any case above mentioned.

E. W. HALL, Sole Manufacturer,
P. O. Box 317, Waco, Texas

READ THIS.

Sherman, Tex., Aug 17.

I certify that I have used Hall's Great Discovery in my family and I can recommend it to the public.

A. L. STRONG.

Sold by Smith Bros.

Marriage Bells.

Licenses to wed issued by County Clerk Walden since our last report:

B. A. Mallow and Miss M. E. Gaither,
J. W. Harvey " " Melissa Roberts,
T. A. Draper " " Stella Robertson,
J. A. Smith " " Ellen McDonald,
E. W. Williams " " Laura Boorman,
H. M. McMahan " Mrs. Lizzie Payne,
W. B. Webb and Mrs. Mary Chism,
W. R. Pridgen and Miss Helen Nelson,
J. D. Walker " " L. L. Dunn,
G. R. Crump " " M. E. Campbell,
J. J. Anderson " " M. P. Pruett,
Alex Murphy " " Bulah Wilson,
M. T. Rutlege " " Bertha Huston,
Jas. M. Horton " " Clara A. Gilmer,
E. W. Harris " " Dollie McWhirter.

Deafness Cannot be Cured

By local applications as they cannot reach the diseased portion of the ear. There is only one way to cure deafness, and that is by constitutional remedies. Deafness is caused by an inflamed condition of the mucous lining of the Eustachian Tube. When this tube is inflamed you have a rumbling sound or imperfect hearing, and when it is entirely closed, Deafness is the result, and unless the inflamation can be taken out and this tube restored to its normal condition, hearing will be destroyed forever; nine cases out of ten are caused by catarrh, which is nothing but an inflamed condition of the mucous surfaces.

We will give One Hundred Dollars for any case of Deafness (caused by catarrh) that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure. Send for circulars; free.

F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O.

Sold by Druggists, 75c.

Glen Stiff, trustee of the G. F. Bolton affairs at Van Alstnyne and McKinney, has disposed of the stock at the former place: Mack Ogilvie, in charge of the stock, returned to McKinney Tuesday.

Big Bargains.

In wall paper and paints for 30 days to reduce stock at City Drug Store.

Physicians prescriptions given every care at Smith Bros.

Probate Notice.

The State of Texas. To the Sheriff or Any Constable of Collin County:

You are hereby command[illegible] once a week for three successive weeks in some newspaper published in your county, the following notice:

Greeting:

The State of Texas: To all persons interested in the guardianship of the estate of Nettie M. Calloway, Gertie Calloway and Jesse H. Calloway, minors: J. Bishop, guardian, has filed in the County Court of Collin County his application to be discharged as such guardian together with his final settlement of said estates, which will be heard at the next term of said Court, commencing on the 2d Monday in November, 1896, at the Court House thereof in the city of McKinney, at which time all persons interested in said guardianship may appear and contest said application if they see proper.

Herein fail not, under penalty of law and of this writ make due return. Issued the 13th day of November, 1896.

(SEAL) Witness J. A. Walden, clerk of said Court and the seal thereof, at office in the City of McKinney, this 13th day of November, 1896.

J. A. WALDEN, Clerk County Court Collin County.
By E. H. Keen, Deputy.

Probate Notice.

THE STATE OF TEXAS, } In the County
County of Collin. } Court.
To the December Term, 1896.

The State of Texas: To the Sheriff or any Constable of Collin County:—Greeting: You are hereby commanded to cause to be published for twenty days previous to the return day hereof in some newspaper published in your county the following notice;

The State of Texas: To all persons interested in the administration of the estate of H. H. Calloway, deceased, J. Bishop, administrator, has filed in the County Court of Collin County, his final settlement with said estate together with his application to be discharged as such administrator, which will be heard at the next term of said court, commencing on the 2d Monday in December, 1896, at the court house thereof, in the city of McKinney, at which time all persons interested in said estate may appear and contest said report if they see proper.

Herein fail not, under penalty of law and of this writ make due return. Issued the 13th day of November, 1896.

(SEAL) Witness J. A. Walden, Clerk of said court and the seal there of, at office in the city of McKinney, 13th day of December, 1896.

J. A. WALDEN, County Clerk, Collin County, Texas.
By E. H. Keen, Deputy.

J. H. Bowman, of Pleno, and Miss Eula Snyder, of Georgetown were married at the latter place on the 11th inst. Both of the contracting parties belong to the first families of their counties.

Absorbent cotton, any size package, at Smith Bros.

Are you made miserable by Indigestion, Constipation, Dizziness, Loss of Appetite, Yellow Skin? Shiloh's Vitalizer is a positive cure. For sale by C. C. Provine. 2

The Nickle Store occupies the same old stand. Call and see

Combs and brusees, a large stock at Smith Bros.

I was nervous, tired, irritable and cross. Karl's Clover Root Tea has made me well and happy.

MRS. E. B. WORDEN.

For sale by C. C. Provine. 2

M. ARON & CO.

Leaders in Dry Goods and Clothing,

SPECIAL SALE.

After carefully overhauling our stock we find that we are over stocked in several of our leading departments.

From our clothing department we have selected 200 men's all wool suits value $7.50 to $10.00 reduced to $5.25

300 Men's all wool suits, value $10.00 to $12.50 reduced to $6.50

We also have an immense stock of men's and boys' pants, men's and boys' overcoats and children's suits, which we will offer at

Prices That will . . . . Surprise You;

In our dress goods and cloak department we have a complete assortment of new and stylish goods which will contribute their part to this sale.

It will be money to you to investigate. Respectfully,

M. Aron & Co.

Tutt's Pills Cure All Liver Ills.

Twenty Years Proof.

Tutt's Liver Pills keep the bowels in natural motion and cleanse the system of all impurities An absolute cure for sick headache, dyspepsia, sour stomach, constipation and kindred diseases.

"Can't do without them"

R. P. Smith, Chilesburg, Va. writes I don't know how I could do without them. I have had Liver disease for over twenty years. Am now entirely cured.

Tutt's Liver Pills

R. R. TIME CARD.

	H. & T. C.	
North bound.	Cannon ball	5:21 a m.
"	No 3	9:22 a. m.
"	No. 15	1:54 p. m.
"	No 1	8:15 p. m.
South bound	No 2	8:08 a. m
"	No. 16	11:12 a. m
"	No 4	6:54 p.m.
"	Cannon Ball	9:48 p. m
	EAST LINE.	
Passenger leaves.		11. 15 a. m.
Local	"	2:50 p. m.
Passenger. arrives.		5.03 p.m
Local	"	10. 40 a. m

CRISP LOCAL ITEMS.

Joe Chambers has accepted a position at C. S. Kendrick's.

Miss Emma Moore returned from Plano yesterday.

W. D. Goostree was in the Princeton community last Sunday.

Lem Oldham, of the Mississippi Store, is on the sick list.

Miss Ama Ferrel, of Plano, visited here Saturday.

Miss Lirnie Brooks is visiting in Pilot Point.

T. B. Wilson is confined to his room with sickness.

Miss Sue Barnes visited friends in the Upper Rowlett community Sunday.

Clarence Rucker, of Hunt county, was on our streets Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. T. M. Wilson visited relatives at Princeton Sunday.

A. J. Harrigan, of Wylie, has moved to this city.

L. Runnels, of Allen, had a horse and saddle stolen a few since since.

Antikamnia, pure, not an imitation at Smith Bros.

Arthur Massie, of Viney Grove, is attending school at the McKinney Institute.

R. F. Reece, Foncine merchant, was in McKinney Friday purchasing goods for his store.

Miss Lula Findlay came up from Plano and spent Sunday with relatives in this city.

Prof. C. F. Trotter, of Blue Ridge, spent Saturday and Sunday with Upper Rowlett friends.

D. Goodin, the veteran jewelerman, was confined to his room the earlier portion of the week with sickness.

Carpenters are at work on Richard Allen's residence on North Benge street remodeling and enlarging it.

Charlie Crowder and sister, Miss Amy, of Lebanon, were guests of McKinney friends this Week.

R. W. Brummett, of Nevada was at the county hub yesterday and gave us a friendly call.

District Clerk E. R. Hall has moved to McKinney in a neat residence on College Hill.

T. S. Jackson and R. H. Mangum were granted license to practice law at the present term of district court.

Hons. H. L. Davis and R. H. Mangum have been appointed assistants to county attorney T. F. Mangum.

The newest and most pleasant tooth preparation is Opal Cream. It contains no grit. At Smith Bros.

The Democrat publishes the correct time table of all incoming and outgoing trains from McKinney.

J. R. Salmons and family have moved from Navarro county back to their farm two miles east of McKinney.

The north Texas medical association meets in Denison the 8th, 9th and 10th of December.

R. O. Johnson is acting deputy for E. R. Hall, the newly elected district court clerk. Mr. Johnson is a brother of Ex-District Clerk C. C. Johnson.

Miss Dolly McDonald and brother, George, of Pilot Point, were the guests of Miss Linnie Brooks in this city Tuesday.

Dr. Foote was the recipient of a nice young fawn yesterday which was killed in Southern Texas and expressed to him.

Mrs. E. C. Wilson of this city visited her son, Editor J. L. Wilson, in Sherman last week.

The ladies of the Woman's Parsonage and Home Mission society met Monday afternoon with Mrs. Sue Martin, whose home on South Tennessee street, is always a stronghold of hospitality. After transacting the usual business of the society the members were treated to an elegant 6 o'clock dinner, served by the hostess and her amiable daughter, Mrs. Frank Emerson, consisting of turkey, salads, whipped cream and cake. The table was very pretty with the clusters of flowers it bore, and each guest was presented with a chrysanthemum souvenir—the glorious flower of the Orient.

T. J. McDaniel was in Plano Sunday.

Lark Young and Myer Smith visited friends in Sherman Sunday.

Tom Davis, of Sulphur Springs, spent Sunday in this city.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Cook visited in Allen Sunday.

BORN—in this city Saturday, Nov. 14, to Mr. and Mrs. Joe Wilcox, a girl baby.

The Alliance mill is only running one shift—the day shift—now.

Tooth brushes that will not lose their bristles at Smith Bros.

Dr. Greer, of Rheas Mill, was on our streets Tuesday.

Sam J. Davis left for Dallas Monday to attend commercial school.

More kinds of fine perfumery than any other place in the city at Smith Bros.

G. Mabry came over from Bonham Monday.

Miss Fannie Allen entertained some of her young lady and gentlemen friends Thursday evening.

J. W. Crayton the enterprising Times editor, came over from Farmersville Tuesday.

Prevent sickness and save doctors' bills at this season by keeping your blood rich and pure with Hood's Sarsaparilla.

Mrs. L. W. Mayhew and children are guests of Sherman relatives. Mr. Mayhew also went up Sunday and spent the day.

In GROVE'S TASTELESS CHILL TONIC, you know what you are taking. It is simply Iron and Quinine in a tasteless form. It is sold on a guarantee—NO CURE NO PAY. Price 50c. 1

John Studebaker's family came in from McKinney Thursday. He will move back to Van Alstyne.—Van Alstyne News.

Genuine vaseline at Smith Bros.

J. Frank Smith passed through McKinney yesterday en route to Dallas, where he will purchase a stock of drugs for his new store at Princeton.

W. W. McDowell, trustee of the T. M. McDaniel stocks at Plano and this city has disposed of these interests to I. Wenar of Dallas.

Chapped hands bother most people. We handle many preparations for their relief. Smith Bros.

J. Perry Burrus, secretary of the Collin County Milling company, was in Farmersville Tuesday.

Mrs. F. Gutgeselle Sr. returned Monday from a two and a half years' absence in Minneapolis—the guest of a son and daughter. She will spend the winter in McKinney.

To get a pair of pants out of our factory that are not perfect in each detail is next to impossible. Of course, once in awhile we'll miss a flaw. To cover such a possibility we put a printed guarantee in the pocket of each pair. If you find a fault that we missed you can get another pair or your money back. Thus the BUKSKIN BREECHES means as near perfection in pants as is possible.

Higgins & Padgitt are erecting a neat three-room cottage for W. P. Polly just south of the C. P. church. Mr. Polly will occupy the new residence and K. K. Kerr will move into the old one, on the same lot, vacated by Mr. Polly.

Rev. E. B. Hardee, of Greenville, was in McKinney the earlier part of the week, meeting our people as the representative of the Texas Farm and Ranch.

When you want to buy a box of pills come to us. We carry some forty kinds. Smith Bros.

The star gazers were doomed to disappointment last Friday and Saturday nights. The advertised display of starworks did not materalize. In those parts as advertised—at least no shooting meteors could be observed in the bright moonlight of those nights.

A new sidewalk has been built partially around the city public school building. It is substantially built and much wider than the rickety old one it replaced.

Try our Tar and Wild Cherry for coughs. Smith Bros.

Hon. J. L. Doggett, United States revenue collector for the district of North Texas, has appointed P. R. Russell revenue clerk at Ft. Worth to fill the place of Joe Waddill, recently resigned.

R. S. Davis, of Foncine, will soon remove to Wise county. We are sorry to lose you, Bob, as a citizen of our county, but hope prosperity may attend you in your new home.

WEAK KIDNEYS are dangerous Kidneys because they are favorable to the appearance of BRIGHT'S DISEASE.

PRICKLY ASH BITTERS

Heals and strengthens the Kidneys. Restores and regulates the Liver. Tones up the Stomach and Digestion and clears the Bowels of all obstructions and impurities.

IT IS FOUR MEDICINES IN ONE. A SYSTEM TONIC PAR-EXCELLENCE.

Price $1.00 per bottle. Prepared by PRICKLY ASH BITTERS CO.

Sold by all Druggists.

The Busiest People In McKinney

ARE AT THE

- KENTUCKY STORE -

That Store is always Crowded with Customers.

Low Prices is the secret of our success.

We have just received our third shipment of

Ladies Capes . . . For this Fall.

We have nothing but the Latest Styles in Capes to show you. We have Ladies Capes from

$1.00 up to $25.00

Dont buy that wrap until you see us; We can please you.

Shoes, Shoes, Shoes !

We have the Biggest and Cheapest stock of Shoes in the city. Bargains in Overcoats and Mackintoshes. Bargains in every department this month. Buy your goods from the KENTUCKY STORE And save your hard earned dollars.

Yours for business,

C. L. YOUNG.

Guard the kidneys; the health of the body depends on those small but important organs. They extract uric acid from the blood which if allowed to remain in the system would cause dropsy and Bright's Disease. PRICKLY ASH BITTERS is a successful kidney tonic, it heals and strengthens the kidneys, regulates the liver, stimulates the stomach and digestion, cleanses the bowels. It will prevent or cure Bright's Disease. Sold by Wallace & Everett.

Lewis Kinney of Boliver, Tennessee, arrived Sunday on a visit to relatives in this city. Mrs. Kinney, who is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Carrington, has been here for several weeks.

If you make sausage or put away meat you will need some of the following goods; sage, pepper, corriander seed, salt petre and borax.

Smith Bros.

Hon. Jerome C. Kearby, late populist candidate for governor, is in McKinney as an attorney in the Turner case now pending in the district court. Major Kearby is a political optomist. He is proud of his vote which was polled by honest methods.

That tired, languid feeling cured by using Dr. Simmons' Sarsaparilla. 50 cents and 50 doses. Purifies the blood. Appetiser and strengthener.

R. T. Quisenberry has returned from a visit to a married daughter in Wise county. Mr. Quisenberry is an old alliance man and reformer and has hosts of friends throughout the county who will be pleased to learn of his improved health which has been wretched for more than a year past.

Mrs. Harriett Wilson visited relatives at Princeton Sunday. Mrs. Wilson is proud of the success of the church enterprise at Princeton. She has labored incessantly to get the building.

Things for the Baby:

Mellin's Food, Horlick's Malted Milk, Arrow Root, Talcum Powder, Paregoric, Castoria, Teethina, Soothing Syrup, Pure Castile soap, Rubber Rattles, Teething rings, Soft Sponges and delicate perfumes. We have them all. Smith Bros.

The McKinney band boys are practicing dilligently almost every night. Prof. John Dennis, of the famous 5th regiment band of Greenville, is now musical director for them and the band is fast taking rank among the foremost of the state.

Our old friend, R. D. Hickman, was in to see us Tuesday. As usual Mr. Hickman was jolly and brimfull of good-natured fun. He is a pop of the stripe that believes in "picking flints" and facing the demmies again, in fact all populists seem to be built that way.

J. R. Brooks, a well known blacksmith, will soon remove from this city to Bates, Denton county. Besides being proficient at his calling Mr. Brooks is an estimable citizen which any community might well regret to lose or be proud to gain.

Edgar, the 15-year old son of Andrew Wetsel, received serious injuries in an accident on the school grounds of Plano last week. The boys were amusing themselves by throwing a heavy window sash over their heads and while keeping the other boys back out of danger Edgar was struck on the head with a terrible force and his skull crushed in. He was in a critical condition at latest reports.

Some people think any glycerine is pure. Its not though. If you buy of us you will get a pure article.

Smith Bros.

J. F. Cashion and R. Woody, of Merit, called on us Faiday and left us a little "filthy lucre." The former gentleman has two fine thoroughbred Holstein yearlings which he would like to sell to some one desiring improved stock.

Signal oil for lanterns that will burn at Smith Bros.

The commissioners' court of Denton has cut the county clerk's salary $150 and the county treasurer's $600 per annum.

We can refit your smelling salts bottles. Smith Bros.

The Democrat will be pleased to receive communications from every neighborhood in the county. Also news items of interest, personals, etc. All anonymous matter will be ignored.

Dr. Simmons' Sarsaparilla imparts new life and energy to all parts of the body. Good as well for baby as for grand-father. 50 cents and 50 doses.

WANTED:—A good cook. Apply to Mrs. Doc Ferguson, North McKinney.

Don't forget to pay us your subscription.

Milch cows always command the best price at this season of the year, but they are higher and the supply scarcer now than for several years—sellingreadily for $25 to $50.

We handle Madam Yales' toilet preparations. Smith Bros.

Charlie Largent has returned from West Texas where he has spent several months in quest of better health. We are glad to state that he looks much improved.

Awarded Highest Honors—World's Fair,

DR. PRICE'S CREAM BAKING POWDER

MOST PERFECT MADE.

A pure Grape Cream of Tartar Powder. Free from Ammonia, Alum or any other adulterant.

40 YEARS THE STANDARD.

Last evening while Mrs. Will Tichner and baby were out driving in the southeast part of town a horseman recklessly dashed into the buggy, scaring her horse which became unmanageable and ran away. The lady and child were thrown from the buggy and slightly bruized, and the horseman was also thrown and bruized, but we do not know how badly. His name we did not learn but it is to be hoped that he will be prosecuted for his recklessness.

Dr. Miller, of Roland, will move to Celina this week. His many friends at Roland commend him to the people of that place.

Big lot of pants worth $2.50 and $3.00 for $1.85 at Mississippi Store.

Pills do not cure constipation. They only aggravate. Karl's Clover Root Tea gives perfect regularity of the bowels. For sale by C. C. Provine. 2

Neats foot oil for leather at Smith Bros.

Farmers, don't neglect to see Goostree & Houston when you want bargains in groceries—staple and fancy.

Guaranteed razors at Smith Bros.

READERS if you want old papers to paste on walls or place under carpets you can get them at The Democrat office for 25cts per hundred.

Mrs. J. L. White was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. G. B. Adams in Greenville last week.

Big lot of pants worth $2.50 and $3.00 for $1.85 at Mississippi Store.

The case against Lewis Luttrell, charged with the murder of Ed Doggett in Greenville, was dismissed in the district court here.

Blood Filtering.

Impure blood is the cause of many of the diseases that afflict the body. When the kidneys are healthy the blood is cleansed of all waste matter and impurities, and it carries food, strength and energy to every part. If the kidneys are prostrated the impurities in the blood rapidly accumulates, decay, and turn to uric acid which poisons not only the vital organs, but the very structure of the body itself, producing dropsy and Bright's Disease.

PRICKLY ASH BITTERS is a successful kidney remedy. It heals and strengthens the suffering kidneys, cleanses the liver, assists the digestion and purifies the bowels, thus the functional processes are carried on properly, the blood is purified and healthy conditions prevail. Sold by Wallace & Everett.

Notice

All persons having keys to lock boxes at the McKinney postoffice are requested to return them to the postmaster within 30 days by an order from the second Asst. postmaster general. The order will be explained when key or keys are presented.

M. A. CAMERON, P. M.
McKinney, Tex., Nov. 19, '96.

LIST OF LETTERS.

Remaining unclaimed in the postoffice, at McKinney, Tex. Nov. 16, '96, which, if unclaimed in two weeks, will be sent to Dead Letter Office at Washington, D. C.

LADIES.

Byrne Minnie	Johnson Andre
Caldwell Ora	Lewis Katie
Fired D	Moore Bety
Gipson Mary	Ruthledge May
Taylor Lucinda	Webb Hattie
Rutherford Fannie	White Jobie

GENTLEMEN.

Atteberry A T	Kissinger A J
Baird Will	Louis John
Bryant Emmett	McMahan Lewis
Boyd Joseph	McWhirter Perry
Carter Ollie	Milligan Ed
Cabe Frank	Murrie Authur
Cash M	Nelson J B
Chandler Dennis	Pallie M T
Beeler M H	Stanbery M
Clifton Bill	Straughan Edgar
Clifton Wade	Sandford D R
Coleman Elsie	Swane H C
Cocks J H	Steanes S L
Fraze Cris	Shook J L
Hamner S H	Johnson Blanch
Hobbins Will	Vaughn Jack
Hughes Golie	White Coke
Jones Wille	Young M M
Jordan C H	

Persons calling for letters on this list must say "advertised" or they may fail to get them.

MRS. M. A. CAMERON,
Postmisstress.

Market Report.

	Nov. 19.
Cotton	6.50 to 6.90
Ear Corn	25 to 30
Wheat	90 to 92
Oats	25 to 27
Hay per ton	8.00
Beef Cattle per 100lbs	1.75 to 1.80
Fat Hogs per 100lbs.	2.50 to 2.65
Butter per lb	15 to 20
Eggs per doz	10 to 12½
Sheep	2.00
Chickens per doz	1.75 to 2.00
Turkeys per doz	3.50 to 4.50
Cotton Seed per ton	9.00
Lard per lb	6½ to 7
Potatos sweet	50 to 60
Onions	1.15 to 1.20

Tuesday evening the following gathered around the hospitable board of George McKinney, at a dining to his gentlemen friends, at his beautiful new residence on West Virginia street: Alf McIlvain, W. H. Richardson, Dr. E. Lee Burton, Dr. G. H Provine, Fred Burnet, Jim Rhea, Jeff McDaniel, Henry White, W. F. Cobb and Dick DeArmond.

U. C. V. Notice

Camp J. W. Thockmorton, U. C. V. No. 109.
McKinney, Tex., Nov. 17, '96.

All members of said camp are requested to be present on Saturday, Nov. 28, at 1 p. m., as there is business of importance that will be attended to.

W. A. RHEA, Com.
R. A. MCLARRY, Adjt.

OUR SUCCESS !

Is Largely due to the fact that

We Never Let Up.

We hit hard early and late. The Special Prices we have been making for past two weeks in our Dress Good department has been

A Great Boon For Our Customers,

And those handsome Novelty Patterns and evening dresses that we are sacrificing will soon be all gone. This week we say to you that, if you want a pair of

Shoes or Boots, Pair of Pants, A Suit of Clothes, Overcoat or Hat,

It will help your pocket book to come to The MISSISSIPPI STORE.

Special Sale on MILLINERY

Now in progress, We have first class goods and a first class Milliner, Just received direct from New York another big line of Ladies Capes.

Extraordinary Bargains

In Ladies, Misses and Children's Jackets and Cloaks. Always examine our goods and prices before buying elsewhere and you will find it to your interest. Assuring a generous public that we fully appreciate their liberal patronage during the past, we are

Very truly &c,

Perry, Oldham & Co.,
PROPRIETORS OF
The Mississippi Store,
McKINNEY, TEXAS.

MILLINERY, MILLINERY, MILLINERY.

MILLINERY!
MILLINERY!!

GRAND CLEARING SALE.

After carefully overhauling, find my stock entirely TOO LARGE, and in order to reduce same, have decided to begin on

Monday, November 23d,

A Grand Clearing Sale !

Every article in my store will be reduced 33 1-3 per cent.

My Stock is Full and Complete,

And you will be able to please yourself in Style and at a

Price Never Before Made.

VERY RESPECTFULLY,

Mrs. W. E. Marshall.

McKINNEY, TEXAS.

OVER M. ARON & CO.'S STORE.

MILLINERY, MILLINERY, MILLINERY.

Liniments, headache and cold remedies at Smith Bros.

PERSONAL.

FREE—64-page medical reference book to any person afflicted with any special, chronic or delicate disease peculiar to their sex. Address the leading physicians and surgeons of the United States, Dr. Hathaway & co., 209 Alamo Plaza, San Antonio Texas.

Goostree & Houston solicit a liberal share of the city trade.

Weak, pale and sickly women and children made healthy and rosy cheeked by using Dr. Simmons' Sarsaparilla, 50 cents and 50 doses.

The best cough cure is Shiloh's cure. A neglected cough is dangerous. Stop it at once with Shiloh's Cure. For sale by C. C. Provine. 2

Window glass all sizes at City Drug Store.

Mules For Sale.

Ten work mules, four years old past, for sale cheap; half cash, balance 12 months time. Call on John Martin, 6 miles northeast of McKinney.

Save Your Life

By using "THE NEW GREAT SOUTH AMERICAN KIDNEY CURE." This new remedy is a great surprise on account of its exceeding promptness in relieving pain in the Kidneys, Bladder and Back in male or female. It relieves retention of water, and pain in passing it almost immediately. Save yourselves by using this marvelous cure. Its use will prevent fatal consequences in almost all cases by its great alterative and healing powers. Sold by Erwin & Fant, druggists, McKinney, Texas.

"My baby had croup and was saved by Shiloh's Cure," writes Mrs. J. B. Martin, of Huntsville, Ala. For sale by C. C. Provine. 2

CASTORIA.

The fac-simile signature of Chas. H. Fletcher. is on every wrapper.

Consumption can be cured by the use of Shiloh's Cure. This great Cough Cure is the only known remedy for that terrible disease. For sale by c. C. Provine. 2

The rush of trade at Goostree & Houston's, the popular grocers on East Louisiana street, is occasioned by their large stock of the best and freshest groceries which are being disposed of at prices which meets the desire of the consumers both in and out of the city.

English Spavin Liniment removes all Hard, Soft or Calloused Lumps and Blemishes from horses, Blood Spavins, Curbs, Splints, Sweeney, Ring-Bone, Stifles, Sprains, all Swollen Throats, etc. Save $50 by use of one bottle. Warranted the most wonderful Blemish Cure ever known. Sold by Erwin & Fant, druggists, McKinney, Texas.

When Baby was sick, we gave her Castoria.
When she was a Child, she cried for Castoria.
When she became Miss, she clung to Castoria.
When she had Children, she gave them Castoria.

Captain Sweeney, U. S. A., San Diego, Cal., says: "Shiloh's Catarrh Remedy is the first medicine I have ever found that would do me any good." price 50 cents. For sale by c. C Provine. 2

FOR SALE—A Columbia bicycle. A bargain. call at The Democrat office.

Wall paper, paints, oils and window glass at City Drug Store.

Republicans, populists and democrats will vote for the Nickle Store bargains this fall.

If you need your wagon scales repaired, or new ones built, call on R. V. Daughetee, B. 39, McKinney, Tex.

See J. H. Sneed for furniture, stoves, queensware, glassware, etc.

See J w Asbury for new second hand furniture.

All the standard cough and la grippe medicines at City Drug Store.

when you want a nobby picture frame call on J H Sneed.

The heat of the campaign does not disturb the Nickle Store bargains.

Tinware and queensware at rock bottom prices at J w Asbury.

Farmers, buy your groceries from Goostree & Houston.

Sewing machine needles at J H Sneed's.

Why leave your rooms bare? You can buy wall paper from 5c a roll up at City Drug Store.

All the leading cough preparations at Smith Bros.

The election is creating some interest but not so much as the bargains at Goostree & Houston's big grocery house.

You can save money by buying wall paper, paints, and glass at City Drug Store.

Patent Star Oil for harness, saddles shoes and buggy tops makes a fine dressing strickly water proof. Manufactured by H. T. Brantley. Sold by Wallace & Everett, druggists; also at Central wagon yard, McKinney, Tex.

Go to Goostree & Houston's for groceries.

Fortify yourself for the season Dr Simmons's Sarsaparilla will correct all impure blood, giving health, life and happiness Only 50 cents and 50 doses.

Anything in the grocery line at Goostree & Houston's, successors to W D Goostree—the same old stand.

My expenses are small and so are my prices, J W Asbury.

window glass cheap at City Drug Store.

Suicide.

You can eat enough to kill yourself if you wish to do so at the Star Restaurant and it will only cost you the pitiful sum of 25cts. Respt.,
Thompson Bros., Proprs.

The Nickle Store continues to be the place for bargains.

Pocket Book Lost.

Jesse Howard of Vineland lost a red leather pocket book, containing $60 in currency, Wednesday Nov. 11. Finder will be liberally rewarded by leaving same at this office.

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900 DROPS

CASTORIA

A Vegetable Preparation for Assimilating the Food and Regulating the Stomachs and Bowels of

INFANTS CHILDREN

Promotes Digestion, Cheerfulness and Rest. Contains neither Opium, Morphine nor Mineral. NOT NARCOTIC.

Recipe of Old Dr SAMUEL PITCHER

Pumpkin Seed -
Alx. Senna +
Rochelle Salts -
Anise Seed +
Peppermint -
Bi Carbonate Soda +
Worm Seed -
Clarified Sugar -
Wintergreen Flavor.

A perfect Remedy for Constipation, Sour Stomach, Diarrhoea, Worms, Convulsions, Feverishness and LOSS OF SLEEP.

Fac Simile Signature of
Chas. H. Fletcher.
NEW YORK.

At 6 months old
35 DOSES - 35 CENTS

EXACT COPY OF WRAPPER.

SEE THAT THE FAC-SIMILE SIGNATURE —OF— Chas. H. Fletcher. IS ON THE WRAPPER OF EVERY BOTTLE OF

CASTORIA

Castoria is put up in one-size bottles only. It is not sold in bulk. Don't allow anyone to sell you anything else on the plea or promise that it is "just as good" and "will answer every purpose." ☞ See that you get C-A-S-T-O-R-I-A.

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SENATOR BUTLER'S ADDRESS.

Position to be Assumed by the Peoples Party in the Future.

Washington, D. C., Nov. 7.—Senator Butler to-day issued the following:

To the People of the United States—In the remarkable campaign just closed the peoples party was the only party that supported solidly and unitedly the great and vital issues represented in the candidacy of Mr. Bryan. This was natural, for the peoples party came into existence to bring to the front and to press to victory the principles of Lincoln and Jefferson, already long discarded by the two old parties. The money power, feeling reasonably sure of its control and domination of the leaders and the controlling influences in the republican party, in 1892 gave its support to the candidacy of Grover Cleveland for the especial purpose of having him, through the use of patronage and otherwise, crush out the silver sentiment in the south and make the leaders in that party as completely subservient as those in the Republican party. To accomplish this purpose four cabinet ministers were selected from the south and an unusually large campaign fund used on political leaders to the same end. It will be remembered that Mr. Cleveland demanded that democratic senators and congressmen give a decisive vote in the interests of the gold standard before he would give out the post offices.

This deep-laid plan might have succeeded had not the peoples party at this juncture sprung into existence, exposed the plot, stood in the breach and appealed to the patriotic hosts of both parties to check the scheme of the people's despoilers and rally to the common defense. Thus the peoples party forced the democratic organization to repudiate Clevelandism and return to correct fundamental principles. Not only this, the peoples party then forced the republican party to cease hedging and straddling for the purpose of deceiving the people and drove them to take a stand on one side or the other of the vital issues at stake.

The issue now being squarely joined, it was evident that those influences in the democratic party which had dominated and debauched the party for a quarter of a century would be driven to the support of the party that took a position on the side of trusts, monopolies and money gamblers. While, on the other hand, it is evident that even a larger percantage of the republican party favored the principles now forced squarely to the front, yet only a small per cent would in this campaign support them because they found them under the democratic banner.

Had it not been for the prejudice against the democratic name as well as a want of confidence in democratic promises, for which it must be frankly admitted past experience furnishes ample ground, a majority of voters of the country, in spite of the tremendous and unparallelled forces put forward by the republican managers, would have cast their votes for financial reform and American independence. The peoples party, with a high patriotism and an unselfish devotion to principle greater than ever before exhibited by any other party stepped outside its organization to throw its 2,000,000 votes solidly for Bryan. Had not more than this number of those who called themselves democrats in 1892 given their support to Mr. McKinley the cause of the people and American principles would have triumphed this year. This class of democrats will surely support the party of monopolies and trusts in the future. Their places in the ranks of the reform hosts must be taken by patriotic republicans. In fact, Bryan would have been elected in this contest had even 25,000 more silver republicans come to the rescue.

The election of McKinley and the triumph of the gold standard does not express the desires and sentiments of the people. The majority oppose the policy for which he stands, and will so vote whenever an opportunity is presented for a proper alignment. The remarkable and brilliant campaign of Wm. J. Bryan would have aligned these forces and marched them to victory if any candidate or leader could have done so under the democratic banner.

The administration of McKinley cannot bring prosperity to the American people. The mills cannot be kept open, idle labor given employment and general prosperity restored and maintained until the wealth producers receive fair returns for their labor, and are thus enabled to purchase. The gold standard and monopoly rule, to a continuation of which Mr. McKinley stands pledged, means four more years of falling prices, four more years of lockouts and strikes, four more years of reduced wages and idle labor. This will cause the patriotic rank and file of the republican party to condemn and repudiate McKinleyism as the patriotic rank and file of the democratic party has condemnd and repudiated Clevelandism.

I cannot believe otherwise, for I have not less confidence in the patriotism of this class of republicans than the rank and file of the democratic party has already demonstrated. Therefore, a large per cent who though not fooled by the specious pleas of "honest money" and promised prosperity, yet who would not in this compaign fight under the democratic banner, will surely join hands with the majority of the American voters outside of the old parties to overthrow a government of trusts and monopolies run in the interest of foreign capitalists. The peoples party has made this position, in fact, inevitable. The position of the peoples party in this great contest has convinced every patriotic American that the party can be trusted to stand for good government and the interests of the people under any and all circumstances. Therefore, the peoples party will be the nucleus around which the patriotic hosts must and will gather to redeem a betrayed republic and to restore prosperity to an oppressed and outraged people.

MARION BUTLER,
Chairman People's Party National Committee.

Get Your Christmas Gifts Free

Many thousand dollars worth of valuable articles suitable for Christmas gifts for the young and old, are to be given to smokers of Blackwell's Genuine Durham Tobacco. You will find one coupon inside each two ounce bag, and two coupons inside each four ounce bag of Blackwell's Durham. Buy a bag of this celebrated tobacco and read the coupon—which gives a list of valuable presents and how to get them.

Blackwell's Genuine DURHAM Tobacco

MR. WATSON'S FIDDLE.

The Populist Candidate for Vice President Loves an Old $40 Instrument.

PLAYS OLD TIME MUSIC.

Prefers Simple, Homely Tunes to Classical or Light Opera—How He Came to Love It so.

Tom Watson the violin. In one of the rare intervals of quiet during the rush of his visit to Texas, he was sitting with his feet in the window looking out into the starlit night. From a window near by came the monotonous sawing of a fiddle. High-toned musicians shudder at the word fiddle but it is a good word in Georgia and Arkansas. There was not music in the sound that dritfed in through the window. The player was evidently an amateur trying his hand at simple things. Watson sat for awhile in silence, the hard lines of his face softening a bit and a suspicion of tenderness stole into the cold black eyes. He turned around and said: "Do you play the fiddle?"

You could tell by the tone that the man was talking of something near and dear to him. He was assured that the writer had never enjoyed the consolation of that instrument.

And then he said, still musing, "You have missed a great deal. The fiddle is the most delightful of all instruments. Somehow or other it comes nearer speaking the language of the heart, those things we feel but cannot express, than any mechanism of human hands. There is wider range and more volume to it than to the cornet or the guitar or the piano. There is a subtle melody in a fiddle that none of the others contain, a shade of expression not to be found anywhere else."

The man was in earnest. Having got away from the dusty and stony ways of politics and put aside the asperities of the campaign, the thoughts of home, tender memories of those left behind, were uppermost in his mind and he was silent.

So the writer asked him: "Do you play the fiddle?"

Watson blushed and continued to gaze at the the stars. Finally he said: "Yes, but I am not much of a player. I have never mastered what you might call classical music, but I reel off some plain tunes fairly well. In the winter when the evenings are long and we are compelled to stay indoors I get down the old fiddle, my wife takes her place at the piano, one of the girls has a guitar and we pass the time with music, old-fashioned things like 'Old Rosin the Bow,' 'Way Down Upon the S'wanee River,' 'Arkansaw Traveller,' 'Home, Sweet Home,' 'Ben Bolt,' 'Kalhleen Mavourneen,' 'The Bonnie Blue Flag,' and others that everybody knows. Perhaps we we do not play them perfectly from a technical standpoint but the audience is never hypercritical and the sentiments of all the songs find their way to the hearts of those present. We play for our own amusement more than for any other purpose. We seldom have any visitors to our impromptu concerts and never inflict ourselves upon strangers."

"How did you come to take up fiddling?"

"In the old days long ago, when I was as poor as a church mouse, struggling to earn enough to keep myself fed and clothed the evenings were almost unbearably lonesome. I had no taste for the dissipations and amusements with which men ordinarily dispose of their time which hangs heavily on their hands. So I bought me a fiddle and I can never tell you how much comfort and consolation and satisfaction I got out of it. When the outlook was gloomy and clients were few once in awhile I would strike a bright chord which would fill me with hope and the vexations and trials of the day would vanish. When business was good and money was plentiful the fiddle was quiet and reflective, reminding me of the vanity pride, hope and ambition. It was always a faithful friend alike in gray days and sunshine, and I grew to love and appreciate its companionship. When I got married I took the fiddle with me and I have kept it ever since and I expect to keep it till I die. It is one of the things that I have clung to and that has clung to me."

"Do you prefer a Stradivarius or a Cremona?"

"Neither. I like best the plain old $40 fiddle. It was good enough for me when I was in need of its strong restraint. You know I did not play by note at first. When I heard a tune that pleased me I just kept sawing away till I had got it down to suit my taste. Many of the old ballads I already knew so I had considerable of a repertoire to to start with. Now I can struggle through almost anything, having learned something of music and having possibly acquired what the professors call technique. Anyway I get just as much satisfaction out of it as I did years ago and that's all I play for."

Once again there was a pause. When Watson returned to speech the memory of other days was still with him. "As I was saying," he began, "you cannot compare the violin to any other instrument any more than you can compare the emotions and sentiments of the human heart to the original impulses of the beasts of the field. No other instrument has its quality of strenuous insistence, knocking at the door till it is opened. There are chords in an old fiddle which seem ladened with tears and others which ring out in glad acclaim. And you feel that somehow the thing sorrows when you sorrow and is glad when you rejoice."

Soon after that Watson went to bed. The writer sat and wondered that a man, who in politics is all vitriol and vinegar, whose principal weapon is a butcher knife where other men prefer the rapier, who is intensely bitter and bitterly intense in dealing with a foe should have so soft a spot in his breast for an old fiddle dented and battered from contact with the years. But it seems that he has.

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For Infants and Children.

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A Busy Man's Train.

Is the new "Cotton Belt" through connection from Texas to Louisville, Cincinnati, Chicago and the North and East via Memphis and the Great Illinois Central Railway system, putting passengers into all these cities in the morning with but one day spent on the road or lost from business.

Leave Texas at night, after arranging your affairs, in a luxurious Pullman sleeper at a reasonable hour, and arrive the second day at destination in time to transact the business of the day. If time is money to you it will pay you to investigate this. Ask any Cotton Belt ticket Agent for schedule and rates.

S. G. WARNER, General Passenger Agent, Tyler, Texas.
A. A. GLISSON, Traveling Passenger Agent, Fort Worth, Texas.

BATTLE WON BY THE INSURGENTS.

General Gomez leads in person and routs the Spanish. Eight hundred Spanish killed and 1,000 wounded. The great victory is attributed to the fact that the insurgents have discovered that Dr. Sawyer's Family Cure gives new life and strength and purifies the blood.

MRS. S. A. HATHAWAY.

Having been treated by the best physicians, I went to the hospital at the corner of Wood and York Streets, Chicago, and grew worse. I weighed 90 pounds and began to use the Pastilles and gained 45 lbs. I can scarcely express the facts by saying that Dr. Sawyer's Pastilles for diseases peculiar to women saved my life.

Mrs. S. A. Hathaway
185 Schuyler Ave., Kankakee, Ill.

A written guarantee to cure or money refunded with every box. Price $1.00 per box.

Dr. Sawyer's Family Cure cures indigestion, biliousness, kidney difficulty and purifies the blood. A written guarantee to cure or money refunded with every dollar bottle. Prices, $1.00, 50c. and 25c.

Sold by Smith Bros

LIGHT BRAHMAS.

I am now prepared to furnish a limited number of settings of eggs from three famous winter layers, at

$2.00 PER SETTING OF 13.

I have secured the best specimens of the breed, and can now show birds in my yard of the great Felch and Griswold strains. Have no other breed on my place.

During the past year my birds have won a number of prizes: "ISAAC," imported by me direct from Felch, won first at Galveston: score 93¾. I have also added another fine bird—OLD CHIEF"—to my yard. I purchased him from Randolph, at Austin. He has rarely ever failed to win first in the show ring.

J. S. DOWELL.
McKinney, Texas.
Young stock now for sale. 49

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TRAINS ON THE MISSOURI, KANSAS & TEXAS RAILWAY

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WITH WAGNER BUFFET SLEEPING CARS AND FREE CHAIR CARS.

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SOLID TRAINS

Ft. Worth, Waco and intermediate points to Memphis, and pullman Sleepers to St. Louis, making direct connection at both cities for all points North, East and Southeast. The best line from Texas to all points in the Old States.

Rates, Maps, and full information will be cheerfully given upon application.

A. A. GLISSON, T P A., Fort Worth. S. G. WARNER, G. P. A. Tyler, Tex.

A Christmas Trip.

The thousands of Texans who came from the South Atlantic States find much pleasure in reverting to the happy days of long ago when they were children, and often they awake at night to recall those scenes of yore which gave to life a charm, and which now come in later years as visions of joy. There is a tender spot in every heart for the old home, and the memories which cluster about the dear old spot are solaces in the weary, weary struggle we make day by day to build in our new Eldorado, a home to which our children in future time will turn, as we turn now to the old place where our loved ones in the evening of life await the final summons.

The Texas & Pacific Railway Company again offers you the opportunity to go "back to the old home." Round trip excursion tickets will be on sale from all points on the system on Dec. 21st and 22nd, 1896, to points in the Southeastern States, at one fare for the round trip, tickets good 30 days from date of sale. See your nearest ticket agent for further information, and do not fail to send eight cents postage to the undersigned for a copy of the finest publication on Texas ever issued, to show to your friends at home. GASTON MESLIER,
G. P. & T. A., Dallas, Tex.

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W. N. COLLIER, Local Agent.

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Insurance and annuities in force	$899,074,453.78
Net gain in 1895	$61,647,645.36

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INSURANCE IN FORCE.

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Mutual Life	24,581,452	$28,546,932	GAIN	$3,965,480
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